

TRIBUTES AND TESTIMONIALS



His Holiness Swami Buaji Maharaj, New York:

The sublime substance of Saiva Siddhanta was succinctly spread all over the world by this saint. How was this possible for somebody who was born and brought up in a totally different culture? It could not be anything other than an unbreakable bond from the previous birth—poorva janma bandham. He has done whatever was ordained by God and gone back now and merged with Him. The Kauai Aadheenam will continue his noble work. His books will speak for many, many more years. Iraivan Temple will reverberate with his words for many more centuries. The spiritual awareness brought about by him among the Hindus of Western countries is just amazing. Gurudeva's unique method of explaining the most complex principles in the simplest way was astounding. The most complicated philosophies appeared as the simplest and easiest messages in his hands, but with the same power and essence.

S. Sivapalasingam, Colombo, Sri Lanka:

During the last two decades with my satguru, His Holiness had been generous, caring, considerate, loving and compassionate. In March, 1983, at the Subramuniya Ashram in Alaveddy (Jaffna) while Sri Muthusamy Kurup performed homa rites and Natarajaneed 1008 Sri Rudra Mantras, he placed both palms on my head and chanted the holy mantra "Aum Namasivaya Subramuniya". It was a powerful diksha for my life.



S. Arunasalam, Alaveddy, Sri Lanka:

There is nothing so distressing as Gurudeva's departure. It is an inestimable loss to the whole of humanity. My heart is full of anguish at the thought that I will not be able to feel his physical presence and read his letters and writings. The only consolation is that he has left behind fourteen swamis in whom he will reside and guide them to continue his work unabated. He was born with a world mission and he has fulfilled it perfectly well.

Mary Earle Chase, Kauai: I last saw Gurudeva at a meeting of our Vision Kauai group which he attended on September 23rd. The group, which includes many of Kauai's leaders, discussed the terrorist attacks—how they might affect us and what we should do. Calmly, Gurudeva urged us to take the opportunity to



Swami Omkarananda Saraswati, Switzerland:

Our powers of perception and presentation are inadequate to describe this Satguru, the glorious and inspiring embodiment of the invincible, indestructible, eternal all-comprehensive Hinduism. Is it not so that if we look at Lord Rama worshipped in the South as Lord Rama worshipped in the North, we were here in a moment. He would say that "of all the Satgurus, Satguru Sivaya Subramuniyas-



Ravi Duggirala, Memphis, USA:

I always respected Gurudeva for being forthright, concise, logical and absolute with his answers regarding anything. Whenever I was around him, I felt this energy. The best way I could describe it was the feeling of walking on the edge of a sword. I remember at the book signing in Memphis. I was standing right next to him. The energy was so intense, like being next to the Sun. I thought to not touch Gurudeva since some gurus did not like being touched. At that exact moment, he turned to me and put his arm around my shoulder. I remember him smiling at me, and I could hear him laughing gently. As I write this, emotions of joy and peace flow over me.



Aran Veylan, Edmonton, Canada:

To the Lotus Feet of the Birthless and Deathless One, you have prepared us well for this moment. The mathavasis are strong, stainless and united. The grihasthas also stand as one. Centuries from now, when these bodies have all long passed, when the fragrance of the blossoming of Gurudeva's mission is carried wherever the wind blows, children will wonder what it must have been like to have been alive at the same time as Gurudeva, to have walked and talked and laughed with him, to have asked questions, and to have received answers....What a precious gift you have given to all of us, Gurudeva, for your love and guidance. Thank you for guiding us through the ocean of karma for the past 30 years. Thank you for guiding our children.



Prithviraj Putten, Member of Parliament, Deputy

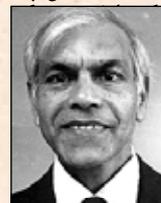
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Mauritius:

Our Gurudeva is closer to us all, nearer than breath. He is the sun. We are all blessed to work with him and be under his umbrella for future centuries. He is the life of my life, and I will always remain Eternal to my Gurudeva. Every morning I perform a special puja to Gurudeva, placing fresh water on the shrine table, lighting sandalwood, calling the Kailasa Parampara of the Nandi Natha Sampradaya. I then place a slightly opened white rose bud for Paramaguru Siva Yogaswami and another white rose flower for Gurudeva in front of his picture. I then offer sambrani, saffron and flower petals to Gurudeva. I then light a diya and sing. I then bow my head while singing. I finally bow my head and read Merging with Siva. Gurudeva is the life of my life. He is the Sun and is Effulgent.



Soma Sundaram, California, USA:

Gurudeva, it has been such a privilege and a blessing to be on this Earth plane the same time as you. Thank you for introducing me to my Hindu Gods, my guardian devas and my wonderful Saivite teachers. Thank you for giving me daily lessons for each day of the year, for building Hindu temples, for giving me Aum Namah Shivaya, for India, for giving me Aum Namah Shivaya and for the guidance you have given to me and my children.



Radheyshyam Dwivedi, Hindu Swayamsevak

Sangh, Inc., USA: Gurudeva left a rich legacy of exemplary asceticism, compassion and spiritual philanthropy. He had a profound influence on countless individuals through his dedicated scholarship and charismatic teaching. We hold him in the highest esteem as the champion of Hindu renaissance in the Western world.

Arunasalam Sellathurai Swamikal, Sivathondan Society, Jaffna, Sri Lanka:

Satguru Sivaya Subramuniyaswami was a spiritual whale of the Occident, a prize catch in the mystic net of Sage Yogaswamikal. It was a divine act, a divine ordination, beyond the ken of mortals, as subsequent events have proved, supremely great! Astounding! The life, mission and mandate of His Holiness Satguru Sivaya Subramuniyaswami led him to the founding of Saiva Siddhanta Church and a monastic order in Hawaii—a magnificent task! This will ever remain a monument to his spiritual fervor, proclaiming worldwide, East and West, in trumpet tones that the Swamikal was a trail blazer of Lord Siva's choice to glorify the spiritual heritage and essence of Saiva Siddhanta—the universality of Lord Siva!



te renaissance. He was a wise, revered mentor and a radiant light who defended Hindu Dharma. Swamiji's multifarious accomplishments and his profound leadership inspired intense love and loyalty in his followers.

Hari Bansh Jha, Kathmandu, Nepal: I always looked at him as my guide, master or Guru. I met him in Rishikesh when he said, "You are not that you are alone!" This one line had a great impact on my life. I don't know how possible vacuum to be created in my life will help us in pursuit of our goals. I feel bereaved.

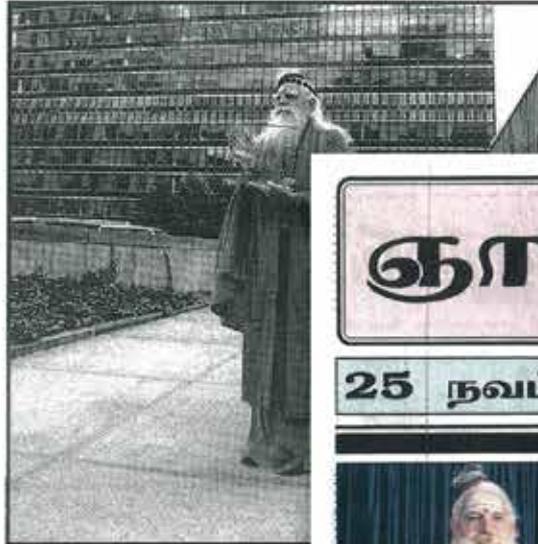


Dee See Mana, California, USA: Love is all there is and this is what he gave the Hopi Peoples. He was also a protector of my very small projects. And, without all the monks, I would have been defeated so long ago. He has meant much to us, the Hopi, and others in need.

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By ELAINE WOO
TIMES STAFF WRITER

Swami Subramuniyaswami, a California native, was a spiritual leader and the founder of Hinduism Today magazine.

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